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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action dated December 26, 2001, Applicant now addresses each and every issue raised by the Examiner in the Office action as follows:

Claims 1 to 48 have been finally rejected on the basis of obviousness-type double patenting. Applicant encloses herewith an executed terminal disclaimer that disclaims any portion of the patent term for this application that would extend beyond the patent term for U.S. Patent No. 6,063,502.

In view thereof, Applicant submits that the rejection of these claims is obviated by such terminal disclaimer and, in view thereof,

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respectfully requests that claims 1 to 48 in this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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